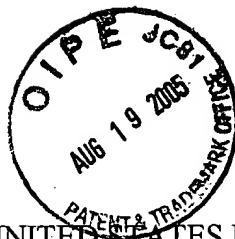


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AND IMAGE RECORDING )  
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CONTROLLING DATA PROCESSING :  
APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR )  
FOR CONTROLLING IMAGE )  
RECORDING APPARATUS, AND )  
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to further examination, please amend the above-identified application

as follows: